

### **REMARKS**

This is responsive to the final Office Action dated June 15, 2004, in which the Examiner allows claims 5-13, 29, 33 and 35, but rejects all other pending claims under examination.

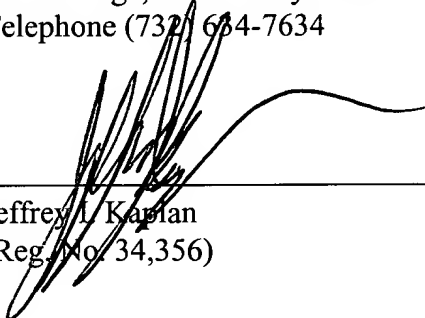
Applicants have amended the claims to cancel all the rejected claims as well as all the withdrawn claims 14-15 and 20-18. Thus, only the allowed claims remain in the application, which is believed now in good condition for allowance.

Applicants therefore respectfully request allowance in view of the amendments. The Examiner is authorized to deduct additional fees believed due from our Deposit Account No. 11-0223.

Respectfully submitted,

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